

One can have too much of a good thing, even of Hawaiian music. The other night I sat at meat in a place which looked screne and quiet when all at once, from a hotel near by, there issued a wail of island melody. It was good music, albeit melancholy, and the tourists who heard, clapped their hands until their palms were purple. As for me I cussed along the curve of a crescendo until I passed the high C and rounded off on the big D.

What was the trouble with The Bystander? Oh, nothing but a surfeit of those same old Aloha Oes and things. I had heard them in the original into Hawaiian. And I have heard them continuously since while my soul has thirsted for the lightsome new things from the boulevards and music halls. Had I heard this or that, which all the East was humming and thrumming, some one asked me! To be sure not; Heavens no! My punishment was to forever hear those same old Schleswig-Hawaiian airs; and do you know, when I am sent hence to be punished for my sins, I don't expect to be grilled, for I lave long been familiar with grills, nor do I expect to be roasted, because I have long written for the papers and am immune—but I do expect to be chained to a rock right next to the paddock occupied by a native glee club.

Nevertheless, Hawaiian music is a tourist asset. Every wayfarer on these shores wants to hear it over and over again. It is one of the things which distinguish Hawaii from the commonplace parts of America. But on behalf of the tired inhabitants of this paradise I rise to move, sir, that hereafter Hawaiian music shall come in with the tourist and go out with him; and that any person or persons, caught singing or playing it between the autumnal and vernal equinoxes, shall be sentenced to hear Joel Cohen's whole story about his trip with Berger, three times a day.

If that motion prevails I shall move that the Hawaiian glee clubs be in duced to learn up-to-date music which will be played here exclusively between April and November. By this means the average Hawaiian-American, when he goes abroad and hears a relatively new thing or even a thing as old as "The Banks of the Wabash'' or the Florodora chorus, won't stop like a dumb thing and breathe softly so he won't lose any of it; and then ask his friend the Broadway rounder, if he ever heard it before, N N N N

One of the things-the growing things-that interest our tourists most, is the banyan tree. A youngster back East, poring over the pictures in his first geography, lingers longest over the banyan. He reads that its branches fall and take root and that, if the tree is let alone, it will some day cover a farm. When he grows up and goes to a banyan country he looks up his old friend the arboreal monarch before he identifies himself at the bank.

It strikes me that Honolulu has never risen to the occasion and acquired as many banyans as it needs in its tourist business. Why not a great banyan grove? Why not forty banyans growing together? Eureka? Why not a banyan section of the park!

Take the Diamond Head end of Kapiolani park where the scraggly ironwoods and the commonplace kiawes grow; include the old race-track, which has become an eye-sore; dig big holes all about and enrich them with garbage and fertilizer and then plant banyans. Let the other trees grow as they may, to be eventually cut down. Keep the banyans well cultivated and in ten or fifteen years the grove will be as famous as Waikiki beach or Punchbowl. Think of the vast, leafty tabernacle of the future; that mighty amplitude of pillar and nisle, that cathedral vista of sun-flecked gloom; of the cool, breezy shade Then figure out-this is for the supervisors-how much less it will cost to put the unfinished end of the park in banyans than to sod it and provide for flower beds and fountains,

Judging from the cheer which wrinkles the hard faces of the Chinese ers; the renewed gayety in the slums; the boasts of Birbe and the resur- put to work, and "dun him," rection of Vida, I infer that the expectations for Brown are very keen. On the recount or contest, he is now ahead; not much ahead but enough so as to make it look as if laukea might be sidetracked. However, the thing isn't over yet. According to the ruling of the Supreme Court this is a contest. May evilaukea may have some mighty interesting things to say about the doings in

Kakaako. Touching the possibility of Brown's getting back, it may be said that the new Board of Supervisors will largely control the police situation. It will hold the purse and can cut down the monthly appropriation to a point that will exclude the unassorted collection of pimps and grafters that hangs about Deputy Sheriff, who will be where he can see things.

However, Iaukea isn't counted out yet. The fact is clear that he was fairly elected, his losses being, in the main, ballots that were non-effectively

TOPICS

TROPIC AND OTHERWISE

Talking machine ads, as a rule fail to appeal to married men. Mostly husbands are already provided with talking machines-the kind that won't

Public feeling over the recount. That tired feeling. Some one, by the way, looks to be due for an attack of that retired feeling.

The seamy side of friendship.-Breaches of confidence.

"Go ask papa," the maiden said. The young man knew papa was dead, Also the wicked life he'd led; So understood her when she said "Go ask papa."

Alcohol is the chloroform which enables the working classes to undergo the severe operation of living.

The bootblack's motto.-Once spit twice shine.

People who live in glass houses should pull down the blinds.

The coming fuel.-Brimstone,

Some landladies would better have been born pelicans, they have such

In many marriages her money makes harmony.

CURTIS IAUKEA-The precincts where I may expect to make my gains have not been gone into yet

SECRETARY ATKINSON-If these people are treated right there are ten thousand more of them we can get,

A. W. GARTLEY-Sometimes the opinion of a civilian as to whether a place ought to be fortified or not is better than that of an army or navy man.

CHAS. S. DESKY—This Highland Park plot is the most legitimate residence of the property of the dence proposition I have ever placed on the market in Honolulu,

LAND COMMISSIONER PRATT-Some offers of land in exchange for the Lanni lands have been made orally, but I can not accept any that are not put his supply of cheer. He beamed upon in writing.

O. A. STEVEN-Look at this beautiful present Mr. Morgan has brought me from San Francisco-a framed motto of Mark Twain, "When in doubt tell the truth."

H. P. WOOD-I don't think I could have gone to California at a more opportune time to get excursions for Honolulu. The California editors started as far as Washington supervision is

PRESIDENT PINKHAM-I suppose if the town has an outbreak of measles we will be blamed for letting it into the town off the Suverie. But then we would be blamed in any event.

ADJUTANT BAMBERRY-I was interested in the cablegram about Salvationist colonies for Rhodesia. I suppose we could establish such colonies here if the islands could afford them a living. PASTOR WADMAN-They may have their quiet fun with John Martin but

he is doing very effective work among the prisoners and deserves encouragement. I thought his final appeal at the services last Thursday was excellent. COMMISSIONER SARGENT-I was mighty well pleased with the review the Hawaiian regiment and the hand on Thanksgiving Day and especially glad that I had the opportunity of witnessing it from the press-stand. I

rlways like to be with the press-boys, WM. S. ELLIS-While the Band was in Salt Lake the boys had their first since leaving Honolulu. It was supplied by Hawaiians living there. German volksleid thirty-five years ago, before Herr Berger had adapted them They make their poi with flour and knowing how to cook it underground it es to be an excellent substitute for the real thing.

CAPTAIN SHOTTON-It was an interesting sight to see our hundred and fifty babies getting their meals on board. We rigged a hose along the deck and screwed in a hundred and fifty nipples and started pumping milk through. The babies were strung along the hose and see how fat they are.

EUGENE SULLIVAN-Our diningroom in the U. S. Immigration station for detained steerage passengers is a model of neatness, as you can see for yourself. Then take a look at our yard. Isn't that a great transformation from the miserable mud flat that used to be here? In a few years this place will be a great eccount grove like the Old Plantation,

WHY do thick glasses crack more readily than thin ones when hot water ent.

BECAUSE glass is a slow conductor of heat, and when hot liquid is poured into a glass vessel, the interior expands before the heat reaches the exterior, consequently there is a struggle between the two forces and the glass flies to

WHY is a married woman living apart from her husband called a "grass widow?

BECAUSE she is a widow by courtesy or "grace." The term "grace immediate annexation. That financial widow." which is from the French, means any woman separated from her husband otherwise than by death. The French pronunciation of "grace" is the same as our "grass," which explains the corruption to "grass widow."

WHY is a certain cut of beef always spoken of as the "sirloin?"

BECAUSE the term is a corruption of "surloin," from the French word surlonge," meaning over or upper portion of the loin. Also because King James I., when dining at Houghton Hall, in Lancashire, in one of his fits of humor said to an attendant: "Bring hither that surloin, sirrah, for 'tis worthy of a more honorable post, being, as I may say, not surloin, but Sir Loin, the noblest joint of all."

WHY is Ireland called the Emerald Isle?

BECAUSE of the richness of its verdure, the term being first used by Dr. William Drennan, the author of "Glendalloch," and other poems, published in the latter part of the eighteenth century.

WHY, when a person is being pressed for money, do we say he is being

BECAUSE, in the reign of Henry VIII., there lived a bailiff named Dun, who gained a great reputation for making persons pay their debts. When every other method of getting payment had been tried without success, Dun was became the popular advice as a last resource.

WHY does mercury rise and fall in a barometer!

BECAUSE dry air is heavy, moist air is light, and the column of mercury is affected by atmospheric pressure. The tube of a barometer being open at the dence of machine fraud not be introduced into such a proceeding? If so, buth end, the air, when moist, can not support the weight of the mercury; when the air is dry the mercury can not resist its weight; hence the rise and fall in dry and wet weather.

WHY is it customary to mount a horse from the left side?

BECAUSE, in the days when a sword was an essential part of a man's dress, and hung at the left side, mounting from the right side would have necessitated the station house waiting for dirty work. A reform grand jury, such as the taking hold of the scabbard and placing it over the saddle with the hand needed one now in session, also has great remedial power. Then there is Jarrett, the to assist in mounting. By mounting from the left side the sword hung clear and allowed easier and more graceful action.

> WHY does the Lord Chancellor of England sit on a woolsack! BECAUSE, when an act of parliament was passed to prevent the exportation of wool, ouring the reign of Elizabeth, woolsacks where placed in the House of Lords for the judges to sit on, to remind them of that source of the nation's bring a direct acknowledgment. wealth. The woolsack today is a cushion stuffed with wool upon which the presiding officer of the upper House of Parliament sits.

LONDON'S BOAT ON THE WAYS

On the ways at Anderson's shippard. near Hunter's Point, is a vessel of graceful lines nearly ready to take the water for a world-girdling trip of seven years. She is the "Snark," Jack London's boat, in which he will circum-navigate the world at leisure and seek adventure and material for his pen. Every place of interest on earth that can be reached by water will be visited by this tiny craft without the annoyances of steamship schedules, freights or coaling stations.

The party that is going sea-tramping in the Snark will be Captain Roscoe L. Eames, the designer of the ship; Jack London, the author of "The Sea Wolf;" Mrs. London and a crew of three men. The sailing date has not been fixed, but the vessel will probably be launched the first week in December. The first port of call after leaving San Francisco will be Hilo in the Hawaiian Islands and several months will be consumed cruising among the islands. Then the Snark will leisurely drift about the islands of the South Seas to New Zealand, Australia, through the East Indies to Japan duty under his immediate orders perand China. The Cape of Good Hope taining to the purchase of fortification will be rounded and the African coast sites in the Territory of Hawali.—Army skirted to Gibraltar, then through the and Navy Journal,

River Nile as far as possible and then through the Dardanelles to the Black Sea. The British Isles will be includ-ed in the itinerary, St. Petersburg and adjacent ports, and then the Snark will cross the Atlantic to the United States,

power will have a seventy horse-power to make ten knots and stripped of her knots with her engine. She is sixty feet In the main cabin there are three staterooms besides an engine room, bathroom and galley. She has three water tight bulkheads .- Examiner.

Captain Otwell upon being relieved will proceed to Honolulu, Hawaii Territory, and relieve Capt. John R. Slattery of the river and harbor works in his charge, and will also report by letter to Col. William H. Heuer for

(Mail Special to The Advertiser.) WASHINGTON, D. C., November inspection of army posts in the Far West and Southwest did not exhaust the little army of officials, and settled down to an attack upon the papers that had been mounting high in his absence. There was forthwith new life in the administration of the Panama Canal, of Cuba, and the Philippines.

concerned. Army officers approached the Secre tary with wry faces as to Cuba. They had been absorbing rumors that things in Cuba were going to the bow-wows Some of them had nearly arranged it, in their own minds, that the Liberals, disappointed at not securing offices, were taking to the woods and must be appeased by an earlier date for the elections.

All that did not disturb the Secre-

tary. "Some of Gov. Magoon's dis-patches have been forwarded to me upon to qualify within the along at Havana about as usual." Many kinds of discouraging reports can be had out of Cuba, if one goes where the fickle populace is talking and plotting. But some of the most alarming plots that are talked today in Cuba are forgotten by their originators tomorrow. The Secretary knows conditions are very discouraging. He told the President so. Neither of and Taft are now strenuously groomthem are confident that the efforts to set up a new and stable government will succeed. Of late, property owners, who wanted soldiers detailed to guard their holdings, have been disappointed because no soldiers are available for that duty. They have made a "holler," and it has been heard all the way to Washington. There has been no particular reason for their outery, except a desire for greater security which the presence of Uncle Sam's soldiers would give. Property is in no special jeopardy down there at pres-

It is suspected, however, that the gloomy reports are a part of the annexation campaign, of which more will ama" made a fine headline. be heard as the session of Congress comes on. There will be organized efnew independent government. Millions of dollars of United States investments in Cuba are ready on occasion to shrick in one tremendous chorus for voice will be powerful. It w.li speak the opportunity offers, because the popular sentiment just now is averse to annexation.

TRAVELER TAFT.

The Secretary is having many and varied experiences as a cabinet officer. He is the great traveler of the President's official family. He may not have traveled more miles as a cabinet officer than Secretary Shaw has travel-The latter has been out on the circuit a great deal of the time. But Secretary Taft has traveled more widely. No man now connected with the administration in a leading official position has seen more of this country and its possessions. He has traveled all over the Philippines and a year ago last summer made his long remembered return trip with a distinguished party. He has been to Panama and, during the past autumn, has resided officially in Havana. Now he has congoing into the far northwest and down the great southwest.

The Secretary is a good traveler. Others of his station would prefer more ease. He takes to the road without protest. He travels thousands of miles on short notice and, between times, works on industriously. If previous contact with all sorts and conditions of men and the holding of a number of different offices in very different parts of the globe where the stars and stripes float can qualify one linking of Roosevelt's for the Presidency, as such service ought, Secretary Taft has some ad-

vantage over his rivals for 1902. PRESIDENTIAL PLANNING.

river, thence around Cape Horn and up the St. Louis convention. It really party advantage out of the embarrass-the West coast home.

The name of the vessel is taken from lican House in the Fifty-fourth Con- It should be noted that the order the book by Lewis Carroll, "Hunting gress and was in full swing by 1895, was issued by the President, who apof the Snark." She will be ketch rig- How McKinley and Reed came down proved in all particulars the recomged with two masts and as auxiliary the stretch for a while neck and neck, mendations of Gen, Ernest A, Garlingand how Mark Hanna gradually wean- ton, the inspecting officer, gas engine. Under sail she will be able ed the Southern delegates from Reed tempted to secure so that McKinley was made an easy evidence that would convict their ofcanvas she will attain a speed of eight winner, is well remembered. McKinley, fending comrades. The order naturally had practically no opposition for reover all in length, forty-five feet at the nomination, and the opposition to the But Secretary Taft was away on his water line with a beam of fifteen feet nomination of Rooseveit, four years long Northwestern and Southwestern and she draws seven feet of water, later, although noisy and persistent, tour. He has disclaimed any response. never threatened to become effective.

gle for the nomination a little more sibility for the order. The report of than a year hence can now be given Inspector Garlington was on the Secwith some accuracy. Taft and Foraker retary's desk for many days before he will vie for the support of Ohio. It is a maxim of politics that a successful lawyer he was keen enough to candidate must have his home state questions that could be raised with him. If Senator Foraker can grab the action recommended by Gen. Gar-Ohlo's vote from Secretary fight in Buckeyedom,

delegates, as matters size now, will de- hands off the case.

likely to be a tower of strength to Vice President Fairbanks. The Southern Republicans seem to be coming the Vice President's way. He had a triumphal trip to Alabama a few months The Southerners like him. he is going again to the South-this time to open a mid-winter fair in Florida. It appears that his popularity extends to several Southern states and a-parently there is little doubt that he will have a large bunch of Southern

At this time the Vice President and he Secretary of War appear as the two leading contestants. other aspirants seem to have small chance. Perhaps the situation will change very materially. President Roosevelt's attitude may affect it, although politicians are coming gradually to the conviction that Roosevelt will not have a renomination and that it is useless to urge it. A year from now the two National Committees will meet in Washington to

fix dates for the nominating conventions. That is always the formal opening of the presidential campaign. It quickens the popular interest to the fact that the great quadrennial struggle is coming.

No one expects now that any new man will figure among the candidates of the Republican party. Events will not likely develop new presidential material. Governors of states have occasionally grown to presidential size. There are no Republican governors or while I have been away," he observed, eighteen months. Governor-elect Chas, "They indicated that everything is goit is not probable. The enthusiastic campaign talk of his avallability will be forgotten in a few weeks. Odell was boomed for the presidency after his reelection as Governor. other New York governors been similarly boomed and forgotten. It is al-most certain that the nominee will be from out of the West-where Fairbanks

ing. ROOSEVELT IN THE RAIN. The President has had rainy days in-Panama. Heavy rains have often attended the President on important occusions. They never embarrass him in carrying out his program. He does not mind getting wet to the skin. When Prince Henry, brother of Kaiser Wilhelm, visited Washington the President took him out on a horseback ride in the midst of a great downpouring. The President seemed to like the weather. Prince Henry was too courtcous to express his disapproval of the

torrents. "Wadding through the mud of Panmortals it would have been a far more comes on. There will be organized ef- disagreeable task than sitting under forts to discredit the movement for a a tight roof. It is probably no exaggeration that the President found wading in the mud personally preferable to remaining in his hotel and enduring the official courtesies which were of far less interest to him than finding out something about the construction in numerous devious ways at first, as of the isthmian canal. One can not secure much detailed information about such a gigantle project in so short a time as the President was on the isthmus. Nevertheless he has learned enough to help him materially hereafter in dealing with canal questions.

It will have some effect with the country and with Congress that the supervision over the canal is exercised by men who have at least a little personal knowledge gained on the ground Both the President and Secretary Taft can now discuss canal matters with a little more authority because both of

them have been to Panama.
INAUGURATING PANAMA. One of the President's ambitions is to have the construction work well advanced and all the troublesome preliminary problems out of the way beleaves the White House. It will be a long time after that, of course, before the two oceans are actually wedded and big ships are floatcluded a great swing around the circle, ing through, but he wants his administration to have the credit for fully inaugurating the work and for having pushed it to such a stage that its completion is assured. More than two years remain for him to direct the big undertaking. Inside of eight or ten months he hopes to have extensive contracts awarded. If his plans succeed the dirt will be flying in enormous volume within a year and before March 4, 1909, enough will have been accomplished in the digging to assure the name to project beyond that of any President

who comes after him.

THE NEGRO IN POLITICS. PRESIDENTIAL PLANNING. By far the biggest flurry of recent The training for presidential honors days grows out of the discharge of in the next campaign has thus far been negro soldiers of the 25th Infantry for inside the paddock. It will be soon on the participation of some twenty of the open course. There is yet no de- their number in the "shooting up" of clared candidate. The aspirants have Brownsville, Tex. It threatens to be-been "lying low." No maneuver could come important politically, It is al-No maneuver could come important politically. It is al-Now ready wrenching the President's poputhings will quickly change, for the larity with the negro race, Indignaelegate-getting season will come anon. tion meetings have been held in New There has been a lot of quiet wrestling York and Boston. The New York for delegates already, but it has been County Republican organization has in understandings with state leaders been prompt to intercede, in the hope and in making favorable impressions that the President will modify the upon voters. Little things the known order he issued for the discharge of aspirants have done from time to time those soldiers without honor. In Boshave indicated their activities. ton the negroes met in Fancuil Hall,
There has been no long and earnest the cradle of liberty, and passed conton the negroes met in Fancuil Hall, campaign for the presidential nomina- demnatory resolutions. Mayor Fitzger-A southerly course will then be taken tion of the Republicans since 1896. That ald was present, the Democrats ap-

from the negroes would have come from Secretary Taft. bility for it. As a matter of fact, the The outlines of the preliminary strug- Secretary refused to have any respondeparted on his speaking tour. As a questions that could be raised against he lington, who, it might be said in passwill deal the latter a crushing blow, ing, is a native of South Carolina and Hence the certainty of a strenuous was appointed to the Military Academy from Georgia. The Secretary was all The South will be a rich prize. Its wary enough as a politician to keep his